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Wouldn't "yell oh!" journalism be a more appropriate name for it, when it puts its fakes in the loud-est print?

Commissioner Marsden's recommendation for an Experimental Station, with an Industrial Farm combined, is one of the most desirable to carry out of all the propositions before the Legislature.

The only "exclusive" news of great interest, while thoroughly true, was found yesterday afternoon, as usual, in the BULLETIN. Whatever foolish notions may be in some people's heads, the great majority bank upon clean and honest journalism.

It may surprise some residents to be told that the employment of bloodhounds to track fugitive convicts was suggested in a local paper eleven years ago. Such desperate characters as Chun Hook, the murderous burglar, had been giving the authorities much trouble about that time.

Informally conversing with a BULLETIN representative, a distinguished member of the diplomatic corps expressed the hope that the opium traffic would not be licensed in Hawaii. It would surely bring the drug within comparatively easy reach of the native Hawaiians, with results as deplorable as had happened from the same cause to natives of other Pacific lands. This conveyance of opinion is not, however, the occasion of taking up the subject at this instant. The immediate investigation, remembering that opium bills are pending in the Legislature, is a leading article in a recent issue of the Shanghai Mercury, under the heading, "The Globe Trotter and the Opium Smoker." After a few remarks upon the positive facility with which the ubiquitous globe trotter solves problems that have taxed the brains of experienced statesmen and disposes of questions that have perplexed the veterans of half a century's residence in the country in which he himself has spent half a hundred days, the Mercury writer takes up statements about opium smoking made in a lecture by a Mr. Fraser upon the subject, "Through Upper Burma and Western China," delivered before the Asiatic Society of Japan. The lecturer is reported as saying:

"I had read a good deal about the opium smoker in China, of what a fleshless wreck he is, how he is hollow-eyed and nerveless, always in tatters, and always beseeching for more opium. There may be such a person, but I rather fancy he is a creature of romance. I saw many thousands of opium smokers—hundreds of thousands—I might say—during those five months it took in crossing China. There were men who had smoked for thirty years, strong, healthy, robust men, who certainly showed no signs of being victims. The coolie class, notorious opium smokers, invariably spent their evening over the pipe; yet during the day, without faltering, they would walk from twenty to thirty miles, carrying 120 lbs., and this not on one day but day after day throughout their lives. I am not for one moment finding opium smoking, but I took careful note

by the way, and I came to the conclusion that all the talk we hear about the Chinese opium victim is nothing else but gross and wilful exaggeration."

The Mercury resents the epithet, "gross and wilful exaggeration," as applied to men quite as disinterested as the lecturer and who have lived for five, ten, twenty, or fifty years, in regions traversed by him. It questions the statement that Mr. Fraser took careful note by the way, although scarcely blaming him "for not having seen the fleshless, hollow-eyed, tattered opium wreck, always beseeching for more opium." The Mercury says: "One does not have to go out of the foreign Settlement at Shanghai to find such victims of the pipe. A single morning any day in the week at the Mixed Court would have shown him more than one poor wretch with glittering eyes, pasty complexion, emaciated frame, and tattered garments, who had been driven to theft to satisfy his craving." As to opium smokers who have indulged in the costly habit for thirty and forty years, and who are still in fair health, the paper says: "Those who are sufficiently well-to-do to purchase the drug without denying themselves the necessities of life do not always suffer to any considerable extent. But to assert, therefore, that there are no wretches in China suffering indescribable misery from opium smoking is as unreasonable as to affirm that there are no poverty-stricken drunks in Great Britain because there are men who drink all their lives without going to excess."

Mr. Fraser's statement about coolies who carry great burdens on long trips, and that through out their lives, the Mercury describes as "rather tall talk from one who confessedly saw them but five months and who probably saw no one cooler more than a few days." Here, now, is the testimony given by the Mercury as to the actualities of opium using in China, right where that paper has been printed for more than half a century:

"We do not profess to be experts on the question of opium-smoking, but we have conversed with hundreds of smokers in their own language and have found a bare half-a-dozen who defended it. Almost all have condemned it as costly and injurious to health—most of them have described the craving as irresistible and declare it impossible to break the habit. We have known a few men of exceptionally strong will who have freed themselves from this terrible slavery, and many more who have attempted it and failed. One case that has been impressed upon the memory is that of a man who had smoked for many years and reduced himself to beggary and to extreme emaciation of body, who was cautioned against attempting to give up the pipe, but who nevertheless abandoned it, though the effort caused his death. In two instances we have known men in well-to-do circumstances who have gradually fallen into slavery and been reduced to such extreme poverty and loss of self respect as to sell their wives and daughters to obtain the means of satisfying the craving. These, it will be said, are rare cases. Very probably they are, but they came to us quite incidentally and not as to those who were making particular inquiries into the question."

Da Quincey's "Confessions" may be more artistic, but they are scarcely more impressive than this present day testimony as to the opium evil.

Rev. D. P. Birnie conducted the funeral services over the remains of the late "Barney" Doane. The funeral took place from the undertaking parlors of H. H. Williams at 10 o'clock this morning.

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DER KAISERLICHE KONSUL.
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Meeting Notice.

A Special Meeting of the Trustees of the Queen's Hospital will be held at the Rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, on SATURDAY, the 16th inst., at 10 o'clock a. m.
GEO. W. SMITH,
889-11 Secretary.

Notice.

Mr. W. Potenhauer has been elected as Treasurer of our Company in place of Mr. C. Bosse, resigned.
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Honolulu, April 15, 1898. 889-31

Strayed.

From the premises of the undersigned, near Lunalilo and Keeaumoku streets, a Bay Mare with white face. Please leave any information of the animal's whereabouts at residence or grocery department Theo. H. Davies & Co.
889-14 FRED. L. WALDRON.

DISTINGUISHED PARTY.

The Intended Bride of London Lord Mayor's Son.

Captain Howard, R. N., Hon. J. Morris, of Victoria, Australia, and a party of eight ladies—all passengers by the Warrimoo—are engaged in sight-seeing today in a four-in-hand piloted by Charlie Bellina, of the Club Stables. Hon. Mr. Morris is the accredited Commissioner on Wines from the colony of Victoria to the Paris Exposition. He is accompanied by his daughter and several ladies prominent in colonial circles en route to Paris and London. To the distinguished gentleman's daughter, the end of the trip will be of the utmost import, as she will on her arrival in London be married to a son of Sir J. Hicks, Lord Mayor of London. Several of the ladies with her will act as bridesmaids on the happy day. The party are all domiciled at the Hawaiian until the steamer leaves.

Per Zealandia the Merchants' Exchange received a fresh lot of European beer and oysters for cocktails.

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CONCERT

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE LIBRARY FUND.

Tuesday Night, April 19

ADMISSION, \$1.00
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Tickets for sale at the leading druggists and stationers, and at the Hall and by members. 886-14

Administrator's Notice.

The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the Estate of H. J. Kasby, late of Paualo, Hanakua, Hawaii, deceased. Notice is hereby given to all persons, having claims against the Estate of the said H. J. Kasby, to present the same, duly authenticated, to the undersigned at his office at Honokaa, Hamakua, Hawaii, within six months from the date hereof, or they will be forever barred. And all persons indebted to said Estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment thereof to the undersigned.

W. H. RICKARD,
Administrator of the Estate of H. J. Kasby, deceased.
Honokaa, April 4, 1898. 885-1m

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